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METHOD THEREFOR

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

April 18, 2002

Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated March 27, 2002, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Claims 1-21 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between:

Group I, claims 1-11, drawn to a semiconductor device, classified in class 257, subclass 668; and

Group II, claims 12-21, drawn to a method of making a semiconductor device, classified in class 438, subclass 106+.

For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, claims 1-11.

Further, Applicants respectfully request rejoinder of nonelected claims 12-21 once allowable subject matter is determined.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact John W. Bailey (Reg. No. 32,881) at the telephone number below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Transmitted herewith is a Reply to Restriction/Election Requirement in the above-identified application.

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